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In re Application of

MARATOS-FLIER et al

Serial No.: 09/159,068 : Decision on Petition

Filing Date: 23 September 1998 Attorney Docket No. 10276-014002

This letter is in response to the Petition under 37 CFR 1.181, filed on 12 September 2003, to withdraw the notice of abandonment.

A review of the file history shows that the Office mailed a Notice of Abandonment on 10 July 2003. A letter rescinding the Notice of Abandonment was mailed 6 October 2003.

This Petition was filed on 12 September 2003 but has only recently been matched to the file. Amendment C, filed 16 May 2003 has also recently been matched with the file.

DECISION

The petition is **<u>DISMISSED</u>** in view of the letter mailed 6 October 2003, rescinding the notice of abandonment. The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action consistent with this decision, i.e., consideration of Amendment C filed 16 May 2003.

Should there be any questions with regard to this letter, please contact Special Program Examiner Julie Burke by letter addressed to the Director, Technology Center 1600, PO Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450 or by telephone at (703) 308-7553 or by facsimile transmission at (703) 308-7230.

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